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IN RE APPLICATION OF: :
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FOR: METHOD OF FORMING A :
COATING ON A PLASTIC GLAZIING :

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated January 30, 2009, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

Claims 1-10 and 12 are pending.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §103

A. Yang

The Office Action rejects claims 1-7, 9 and 10 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over EP 0 887 437 to Yang et al. ("Yang")[#]. Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection.

Claim 1 recites "[a] process, comprising: determining a maximum usage temperature for a transparent plastic substrate; determining a minimum coating temperature for forming a

[#] The Office Action rejects claim 10, in the alternative, under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) over Yang. See Office Action, pages 6 to 7. Applicants note that, for example, the Examples of the present specification demonstrate that coated transparent substrates obtained by the process of claim 1 have different properties than coated transparent substrates obtained by other methods. Accordingly, because the process of Yang differs from the process of claim 1 for the reasons discussed herein, the process of Yang cannot be said to inherently result in the product of claim 10.